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German Democratic Republic

FERTILIZER DISTRIBUTION

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[redacted] the Central Commission of the Agricultural Section has decided that the distribution of mineral-fertilizer for 1952/53 is to be done according to the size of the farms. On this basis, large farms are to get 3 kilograms less per hectare of land than small farms. The quality of the soil will not be taken into consideration. A decree to this effect is to be issued shortly by the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry in conjunction with the State Planning Commission.

[redacted] the Ministry for Agriculture and Forestry, Fertilizer Section, reported that due to present export conditions, only 80 percent of the planned nitrogen fertilizer supply for the year 1951/52 will be realized.

The planned supply of phosphoric acid will be realized by only 60 percent, ~~because~~ ^{since} under the low import quota only 4,000 tons per month can be imported from Holland and Belgium.

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